Department of Permits and Development Management 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204 Baltimore County, Maryland

In the Matter of

Civil Citation No.81450

William King 8218 Peach Orchard Road Baltimore MD 21222

10 Dunkirk Road

Respondent

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AMENDED FINAL ORDER OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before the Baltimore County Code Enforcement Hearing Officer on August 25, 2010 for a Hearing on a citation for violations under the 2009 edition of the National Standard Plumbing Code: Administration section 1.7, violation & penalties; Administration section 1.18, permits required; Administration section 1.10.4, work without a permit; Administration section 1.11.1 required inspections; County Council Bill 89-09 Administration section 1.7.2, penalties on residential property known as 10 Dunkirk Road, Baltimore, MD 21212.

On July 22, 2010, pursuant to § 3-6-205, Baltimore County Code, Supervising Inspector Patrick Cassidy issued a Code Enforcement & Inspections Citation. The citation was sent to the Respondent by 1st class mail to the last known address listed in the Maryland State Tax Assessment files.

The citation proposed a civil penalty of \$5,000.00 (five thousand dollars).

The following persons appeared for the Hearing and testified: William King, Violator and, Patrick Cassidy, Baltimore County Plumbing Inspections Supervising Inspector.

Mr. Cassidy testified that Respondent King was digging up a sidewalk at 10 Dunkirk Avenue to replace a defective sewer without first obtaining the required Plumbing Permit and without being

properly licensed as a Master Plumber; that the truck Mr. King was driving contains the words "Maintain That Drain," the business Mr. King was using in undertaking the sewer replacement work; and that Mr. King had entered into a contract for the work with the owner of the property, N. Galicco. Mr. King stated that he was not a registered plumber; that he had contracted to do the sewer repair work and had started to perform the work without a plumbing permit; and that he returned all of the money M. Galicco paid for the work.

THEREFORE, THE Hearing Officer finds that the Respondent, William M. King, violated Administrative Sections 1.7; 1.81 and 1.10.4 of the 2009 edition of the National Standard Plumbing Code and imposes a fine of \$1,000.00 which sum shall be reduced to \$300.00 if Mr. King obtains a Maryland State Apprentice card for plumbing by October 15, 2010 and does not violate any Baltimore County laws during the interim period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the appropriate fine is not paid within thirty days of billing, the civil penalty shall be imposed and placed as a lien upon the property.

ORDERED this 27th day of August 2010

Signed: ORIGINAL SIGNED
Donald E. Brand
Baltimore County Hearing Officer

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: The Respondent is advised that (1) pursuant to §3-6-206(g)(2) of the Baltimore County Code, the Respondent may make written application to the Director of the Department of Permits & Development Management within 10 days to modify or amend this order and (2) pursuant to §3-6-301(a), Baltimore County Code, the Respondent may appeal this order to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals within fifteen (15) days from the date of this order; any such appeal requires the filing of a petition setting forth the grounds for appeal, payment of a filing fee of \$150 and the posting of security to satisfy the penalty assessed.

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